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Applicants: Cinderella BLANCHAT et al.) Group Art Unit:
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For: BIOMATERIAL BASED ON AN)
INSOLUBILISED DEXTRAN)
DERIVATIVE AND A GROWTH)
FACTOR)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 3-6, 8-11, and 13-23 as follows:

--3. (Amended) The biomaterial as claimed in claim 1 [or claim 2], characterized in that said growth factor is selected from the group consisting of EGFs, IGFs, FGFs, TGF- β s, PDGFs and BMPs.

4. (Amended) The biomaterial as claimed in claim 1 [any one of the preceding claims], characterized in that said growth factor has an osteoinductive activity and is a BMP.